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COUNTY BOARD ADOPTS SUP. BIDDLE'S RESOLUTION ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Supervisor Eyon Biddle, Sr., is thanking the County Board for unanimously adopting his resolution establishing a Task Force on Human Trafficking.

“I thank my colleagues for embracing this approach to tackling a very serious issue in Milwaukee County,” Supervisor Biddle said. “I look forward to developing some new methods that we can put into action.”

The Task Force will be appointed by the Board Chairman and include representation from the District Attorney's Office, Chief Judge, Milwaukee Police Department, Sheriff's Office, Bureau of Milwaukee Child Welfare, Milwaukee Public Schools, Office of Justice Assistance Human Trafficking Committee, ASHA Family Services, Benedict Center, Pathfinders, Meta House, Milwaukee's LGBT community, Milwaukee's faith-based community and other interested individuals with experience and expertise in this area. Chairman Holloway has requested that any parties interested in participating should contact their County Supervisor.

The resolution calls for the Task Force to report back to the Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee by September 30, 2012 with recommendations on the following items:

- Appropriate service models, including culturally competent services
- Policies and practices, including changes to state laws, that protect both children and adults from trafficking
- Policies and practices on judicial and law enforcement interventions
- Job training and recovery for victims
- Establishing transitional housing or safe houses for victims

“This Task Force will develop ways to both reduce human trafficking and provide resources to victims who need our help in overcoming these tragedies,” Supervisor Biddle added. “I will always vote for human rights and equal rights for all of our adults and children.”

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